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(EDRC) REVIEW OF THE U.S.: OECD SECRETARIAT MISSION
TO WASHINGTON

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1. SECRETARIAT HAS CONFIRMED TO MISSION THAT SECRETARIAT STAFF WILL VISIT WASHINGTON ON APRIL 20, 21, 22 FOR DISCUSSIONS IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF EDRC REVIEW OF U.S. SECRETARIAT DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE KJELL ANDERSEN, HEAD OF NATIONAL STUDIES AND ECONOMIC PROSPECTS BRANCH, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS (ESD); FRIEDRICK KLAU, HEAD OF NATIONAL STUDIES DIVISION III, ESD; AND PALLE-SCHELDE ANDERSEN, HEAD U.S. DESK, ESD.

2. SECRETARIAT HAS ALSO GIVEN MISSION FOLLOWING GENERAL INDICATION OF ITS DESIRED SCHEDULE AND SUBSTANTIVE AREAS OF INTEREST:

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-- MORNING OF APRIL 20: MEETINGS WITH STATE AND TREASURY DEPARTMENTS. AT TREASURY, SECRETARIAT WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC IMPACT OF BUDGET IN GENERAL AND TO EXPLORE IN DETAIL THE CAUSES UNDERLYING RECENT SHORTFALL IN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES.

-- AFTERNOON OF APRIL 20 AND DAY OF APRIL 21:
SECRETARIAT WOULD LIKE APPOINTMENTS AT CEA,
FRB AND BROOKINGS INSTITUTION. IN PAST,
DISCUSSIONS AT CEA HAVE BEEN BROAD-RANGING
AND GENERAL AND HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED IN
"ROUND-TABLE" FORMAT. SECRETARIAT INDI-
CATES THAT IT HAS FOUND THIS PROCEDURE
USEFUL. AT FRB, SECRETARIAT WOULD LIKE
TO FOCUS ON DOMESTIC CONSIDERATIONS UNDER-
LYING FORMULATION OF U.S. MONETARY POLICY
AS WELL AS RELEVANT INSTITUTIONAL FACTORS
WHICH INFLUENCE ITS IMPLEMENTATION. AT
BROOKINGS, SECRETARIAT WOULD, IF POSSIBLE,
LIKE TO SEE ARTHUR OKUN AND GEORGE PERRY.

-- MORNING OF APRIL 22: SECRETARIAT SEEKS
APPOINTMENT WITH CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET
OFFICE (ALICE RIVLIN OR STAFF). SECRE-
TARIAT DESIRES FURTHER DISCUSSION OF
BUDGET AND OF SHORTFALL IN FEDERAL SPEND-
ING.

-- AFTERNOON OF APRIL 22: SECRETARIAT HOLD-
ING THIS TIME SLOT OPEN FOR INTERVIEWS
WITH PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES IT HAS IDENTI-
FIED FOR POSITIONS IN SECRETARIAT. IF
APPOINTMENTS SUGGESTED ABOVE CAN ONLY BE
MADE DURING THIS TIME, SECRETARIAT WOULD
BE ABLE TO SHIFT TIMING OF INTERVIEWS.

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SECRETARIAT'S ONLY CONSTRAINT IN THIS
RESPECT IS THAT INTERVIEWS ARE EXPECTED
TO TAKE UP ONE HALF OF ONE DAY.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIV-
ING (A) WASHINGTON AGENCIES' REACTIONS TO AND SUGGESTIONS
CONCERNING GENERAL SCHEDULE OUTLINED BY SECRETARIAT; AND
(B) DETAILED SCHEDULE FOR VISIT OF SECRETARIAT DELEGA-
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